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The proposed settlement does not impose any substantive penalty on Microsoft for its past monopolistic behavior. It also does not implement any real corrective actions other than promises by Microsoft to be less evil in the future. The entire package has the appearance of a political buyout with DoJ becoming little more than employees of Microsoft. I urge the rejection of this travesty of justice. The public is in no way served by the anemic measures proposed and in fact will be irreparably harmed by what is, in effect, a government certification of Microsoft as a legal monopoly.

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